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Regards,

Kia Silverbrook

Paul Lapstun

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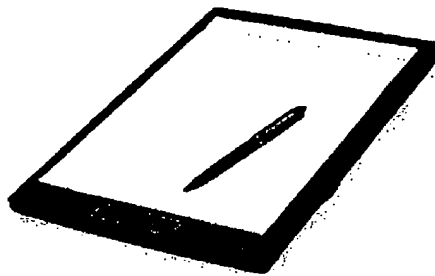
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The CrossPad and Radio Frequency Pen

Connecting the CrossPad to a PC or laptop, the digital images can be downloaded into an OCR program for conversion into a text file. The OCR program provided with the CrossPad has the ability to "learn" a user's handwriting style to better translate the hand written word into correct text. Again, no OCR translation is perfect so the text must be proofread and edited in order to match what was written. Once the conversion from image to text file is complete, the CrossPad has provided the notes in three forms. First, the original paper copy of the notes have been rendered in regular ink. Second, the digital image files of the notes are available for hard copy printing, attaching to e-mails, etc. This is particularly handy for diagrams or sketches which don't convert into text files. Finally, the converted text file copy are ready for further processing into a word processing program or more specifically, into a genealogy software program.

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of April 5, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper. The Applicant submits that these amendments introduce no new matter.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper. The Applicant submits that these amendments introduce no new matter.

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